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Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Patent Application  
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Descriptions of Electronic Design Using Placement Based Information**  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a);
3. Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$120.00 for a one month extension of time fee; and
4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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